REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for his indication that claims 14-16 are allowable. In response, Applicant cancels claims 1-8 and 17, and incorporates the subject matter of claim 14 into independent claim 9 to accept allowable subject matter.

Based on these amendments, Applicant submits that this Application is in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested. The Examiner should call Applicant's attorney if an interview would expedite prosecution.

If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely, it is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

Respectfully submitted,

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